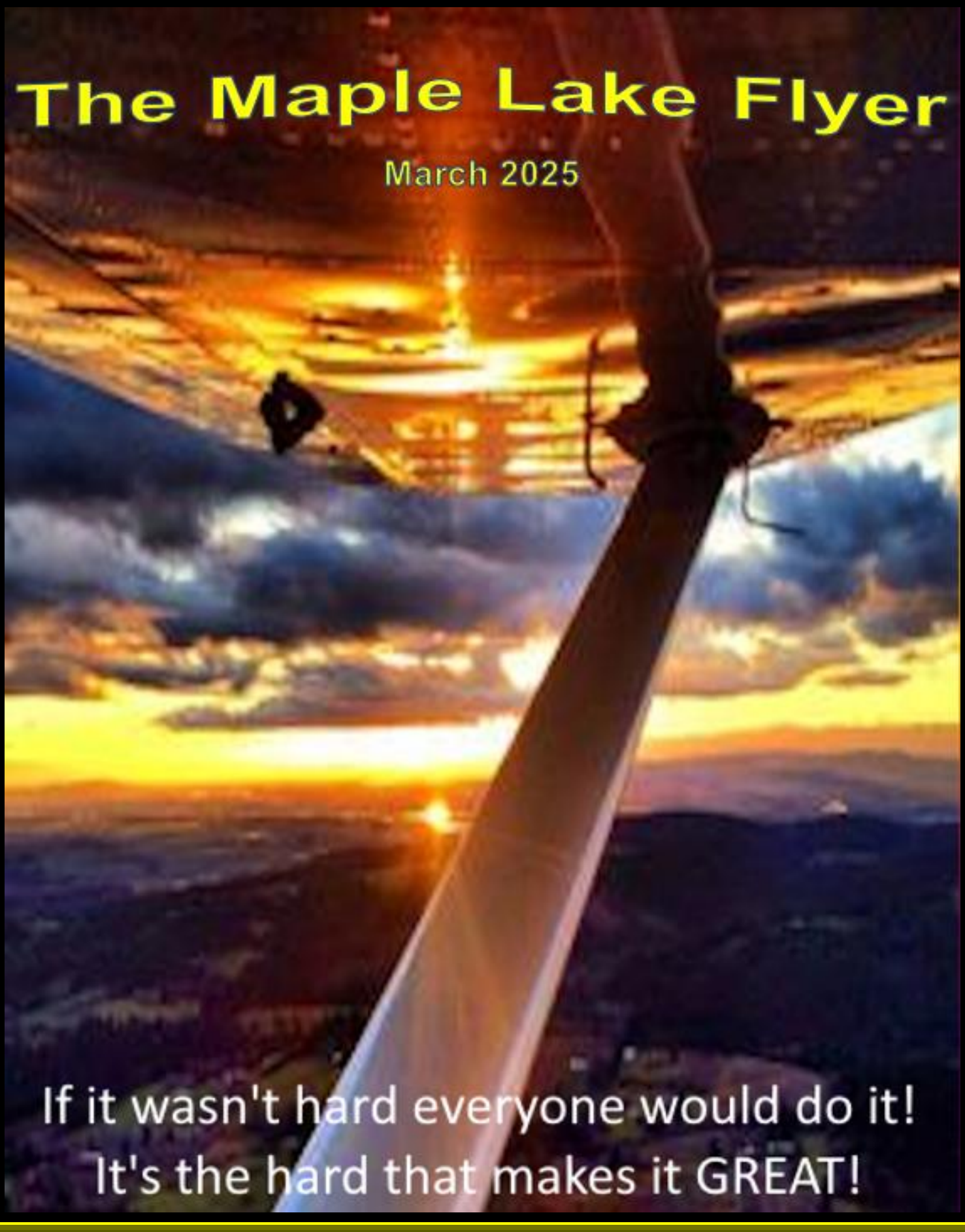
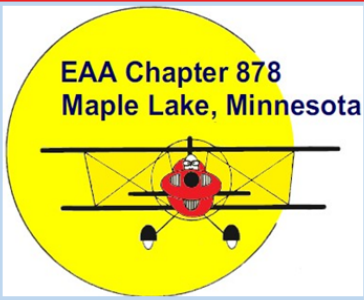


# The Maple Lake Flyer

March 2025

A dramatic sunset or sunrise scene with a large white pole in the foreground and a person silhouetted against the bright sky.

If it wasn't hard everyone would do it!  
It's the hard that makes it GREAT!



# EAA Chapter 878

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## EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter

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#### Next EAA Chapter 878 Meeting

Date:	March 8, 2025
Location:	Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
Meeting Time:	Board Meeting: 8:00 AM; Chapter Meeting: 9:30 AM
Notes:	Stephen Trull showing & speaking about his Velocity



Have you paid  
your dues yet?

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Help EAA Chapter 878 by paying your dues.  
Payment by either check or credit card is easy!



## Presidents Airspace

by Kyle Weatherly

### Hangar Project Status Update:

- During a day in February Greg Larson and I were at the hangar and discussing the large opening (Garage Door). We went looking on EBay and found a 8' wide 12' tall 2 hour roll up fire door.
- This used door was purchased and will allow us to keep the large door opening that already exists.
- We still anticipate working on the hangar in March or April, more to follow on this.

### A bitter cold weekend: (From January): Update a bitter cold week (February)

- There is always something to do even when you don't want to go outside and enjoy subzero temperatures.
- I hope to accomplish the following for our chapter this weekend.
  - Finish my February article submissions
    - Completed (Now working on March)
  - Update the website for our scholarship application and email the local schools letting them know it is available. [Read more >](#) 2 min read



## Vice-Presidents Airspace

by Wayne Flury

### “She’s a gorgeous airplane!”

Why do we use feminine pronouns when talking about airplanes?



A very few EAA Chapter 878 members braved the early morning winter conditions to attend our Feb. 8 meeting at the Buffalo Airport, no doubt attracted by the promise of an “up-close-and-personal” introduction to the Cessna T-50 “Bobcat” recently acquired by Mike Wiskus of West Metro Aviation.

This particular aircraft now with tail number N30F, entered the Army Air Forces inventory in 1943, one of more than 5400 produced from 1939 - 44. Known in the AAF as an AT-17 or AT-8, they were used primarily for multi-engine training and personnel transport. [Read more >](#) 2 min read



## **Treasurer Airspace**

by Greg Thomes

Ways and Means projects don't necessarily fall entirely on the shoulders of an organization's treasurer. This year especially we'll need everyone's assistance in raising necessary funds for our chapter's endeavors.

Don't forget about one other nice way to help our 'bottom-line'. Have you considered being a lifetime member of EAA #878? Contact me at [greghomes1@gmail.com](mailto:greghomes1@gmail.com) if you would like information on our lifetime memberships.

It's pretty cool knowing that each January you don't need to worry about whether your annual dues are paid or not!

May your skies be bright and breezes light!



## **Eagle & Young Eagle Airspace**

by Kyle Weatherly

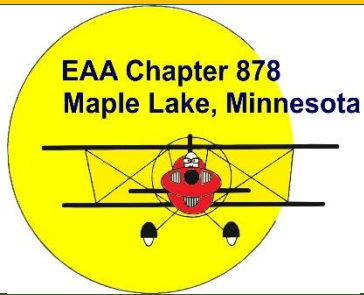
### **Young Eagle events:**

Young Eagles events will start back up in April.

I have been contacted by a few parents very interested in participating in the Young Eagles program this year. Everyone is very excited for nicer weather and getting back to flying.

### **Build and Fly –**

- Build and Fly – Tom Rammel was able to attend the February Board meeting. He has picked a plane for this year and is going to be ordering the necessary equipment in the near future.
- Build and Fly will begin July 2025, official dates will be set soon.



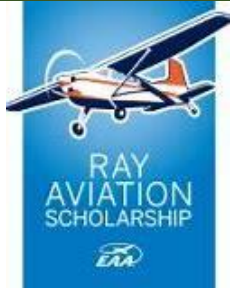
## EAA 878 Scholarship Airspace by Kyle Weatherly

The committee members are: Wayne Flury, Laura Hermann, Lloyd Melvie, Boyd Emmel, Jon Niska, and Kyle Weatherly.

There is one opening for the Scholarship committee. A committee member helps interview 878 and Ray Scholarship candidates.

2025 – EAA 878 Scholarship.

- The EAA 878 Scholarship has been posted to the website.
- All other scholarships have been updated with links to the most recent and available scholarships.
- The following links are available
  - EAA 878
  - FOBA – Friends of Buffalo Airport
  - AOPA
  - [Read more >](#) 1 min read



## Ray Scholarship Airspace by Kyle Weatherly

Part of the Ray Aviation Scholarship requirements is chapter participation. Nolan has been attending all of our events and also providing additional chapter help.

Nolan Update:

- Nolan has been setting a lot of flights with many of them getting canceled.
- I was able to speak with Nolan during our February General Meeting and he let me know about his scheduled flights.
- Even with that Nolan has been studying for his written test and has shown me his test preparation progress scoring high 80 and low 90's on the practice tests.
- I anticipate that he will be taking his written and solo in the month of February if we have some decent luck with weather going forward. [Read more >](#) 1-1/2 min read



## Musings

by Air Facts

### GA Aviation Museum Directory



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## IFR Tips

by Boldmethod

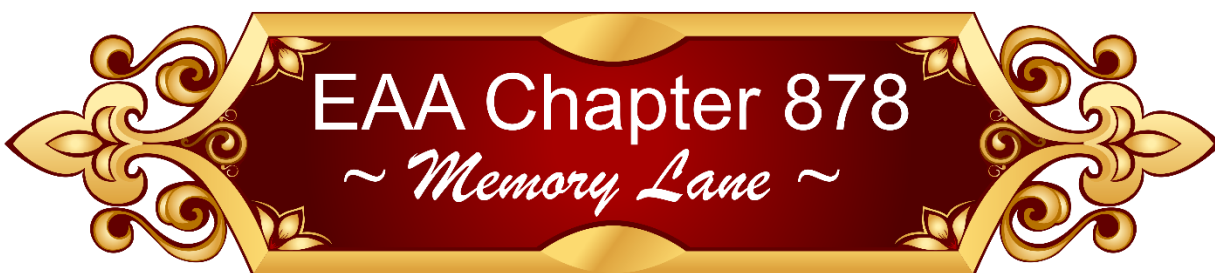
### ODP vs. SID



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# Memories

## This Month in History



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## EAA Chapter 878 Aviation Education Fund



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A home for our EAA Chapter 878 Aviation Education Center would help us consolidate meetings, conduct training sessions & finish building an RV-4 airplane.

Please join us in this fundraiser to rebuild an old hangar.

Sharing with others would also be helpful.



## Notable Mention

by Chapter Leaders & Coordinators

### **Wanted – Photos of You and Your Airplane**

by Elaine Morrow, Chapter Webmaster

Help me make our website a place of chapter recognition and interest. Please send me a photo of your airplane (and you) which I will include on our Chapter 878 website. This includes aircraft projects too! Send to: [pilotelaine@aol.com](mailto:pilotelaine@aol.com) or call 952-913-2356 with any questions.

### **Requesting Chapter Member Aircraft and Project Info**

By Chris Glaeser

Chris Glaeser (as our chapter Flight Advisor) is still looking forward to getting information from all chapter members about aircraft owned, or projects working on, His focus is to have a list so that if he gets a call from someone asking if he knows anything about RV aircraft or float planes, etc., he has a source of reference.

If you haven't yet responded to Chris, please contact him with your info (a photo may also be nice) with complete data on your airplane, including engine and prop. His contact info is: 952-239-4081, or [chris.glaeser@gmail.com](mailto:chris.glaeser@gmail.com).

### **WINGS - Pilot Proficiency Program**

The objective of the WINGS Program is to address the primary accident causal factors that continue to plague the general aviation community. By focusing on this objective, we hope to reduce the number of accidents we see each year for the same causes. As you will see, it is not a simple "Award" program but is instead a true proficiency program, designed to help improve our skills and knowledge as pilots. [Read more >](#)

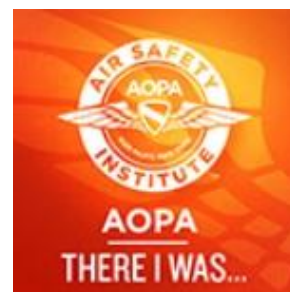
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## Aviation Podcasts

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## Aviation Webinars

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### Chapter 878 Aviation Upcoming Events

Mar	8	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	26	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
Apr	8	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	23	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM
May	12	EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Arrival/Departure building at Buffalo-KCFE
	28	IMC / EAA Chapter 878 meeting, Thunderbird Aviation, Flying Cloud-KFCM

Note: this list will not include the many pancake breakfasts and other fly-ins or local aviation events because they are well publicized on other sites dedicated to that purpose. For other event information, see our [EAA Chapter 878 website](#), and websites such as [EAA](#), [AOPA](#), [Social Flight](#), [Fly-ins](#), [Midwest Airshow](#), [Fly-In and Flight Club](#) and [FunPlacesToFly](#). Also see various Calendars of Events in magazines, and airport bulletin boards.



## Editors Airspace

by Ray Svobodny

The EAA Chapter 878 Newsletter is published monthly, 1-week prior to monthly Chapter meetings.

Sharing your knowledge and other news with the Newsletter is both fun and easy but please follow our simple editorial guidelines. Your articles, videos, high resolution images, and The Funnies by Wayne are welcome and needed. Our Chapter Members are particularly interested in aviation-related topics.

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If you have questions, please contact me anytime. [Ray Svobodny](#) / 612-327-4232.

# ***BUFFALO FLY-IN***

## • ***BREAKFAST***

- *7:30 AM—12 noon. Hosted and served by EAA Chapter 878 in West Metro Aviation Hangar*

## • ***CAR SHOW***

- *9 AM—1 PM. Hosted and held on airport grounds by Wright County Car Club*

## **Sunday, June 8, 2025**

**Buffalo Municipal Airport—KCFE**  
**1305 County Rd 134 NE, Buffalo, MN**

### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**Serving 7:30 AM – 12 noon**

**Adults: \$10      Youth 6—12: \$5**

**Kids 5 & under: free with Adult meal**

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